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1. X	The applicant is hereby notified that the International Search Report has been established and is transmitted herewith.
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